

Is Something Fishy Going On With You?

"My Summer Reading List", Part 7 of 8

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"Come, follow me," Jesus said, "and I will make you fishers of men."
(Matthew 4:19, NIV)

"I pray that you may be active in sharing your faith, so that you will have a full understanding of every good thing we have in Christ."
(Philemon 6, NIV)

Four Ways To Become More "Fishy" For Christ

I) WE MUST PRACTICE ___CULTURAL___ EVANGELISM.

"Go ye therefore, and teach all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Ghost: Teaching them to observe all things whatsoever I have commanded you: and, lo, I am with you always, even unto the end of the world. Amen."
(Matthew 28:19-20, KJV)

"And the lord said unto the servant, Go out into the highways and hedges, and compel them to come in, that my house may be filled."
(Luke 14:23, KJV)

II) WE MUST PRACTICE ___RELATIONAL___ EVANGELISM.

"Though I am free and belong to no man, I make myself a slave to everyone, to win as many as possible. To the Jews I became like a Jew, to win the Jews. To those under the law I became like one under the law (though I myself am not under the law), so as to win those under the law. To those not having the law I became like one not having the law (though I am not free from God's law but am under Christ's law), so as to win those not having the law. To the weak I became weak, to win the weak. I have become all things to all men so that by all possible means I might save some."
(1 Corinthians 9:19-22, NIV)

a) Hook...

b) Line...

c) and Sinker...

III) WE MUST PRACTICE ___SERVANT___ EVANGELISM.

"You are the light of the world. A city on a hill cannot be hidden. Neither do people light a lamp and put it under a bowl. Instead they put it on its stand, and it gives light to everyone in the house. In the same way, let your light shine before men, that they may see your good deeds and praise your Father in heaven."
(Matthew 5:14-16, NIV)

"For we are God's workmanship, created in Christ Jesus to do good works, which God prepared in advance for us to do."
(Ephesians 2:10, NIV)

***Catching fish is easier when the fish
have a desire to get in the boat.**

IV) WE MUST RESPOND TO THE ___CALL OF CHRIST___.

All whom My Father gives (entrusts) to Me will come to Me; and the one who comes to Me I will most certainly not cast out [I will never, no never, reject one of them who comes to Me]. For I have come down from heaven not to do My own will and purpose but to do the will and purpose of Him Who sent Me. And this is the will of Him Who sent Me, that I should not lose any of all that He has given Me, but that I should give new life and raise [them all] up at the last day.
(John 6:37-37, AMP)

The [Holy] Spirit and the bride (the church, the true Christians) say, Come! And let him who is listening say, Come! And let everyone come who is thirsty [who is painfully conscious of his need of those things by which the soul is refreshed, supported, and strengthened]; and whoever [earnestly] desires to do it, let him come, take, appropriate, and drink the water of Life without cost.
(Revelation 22:17, AMP)